Docket No.: ALV-003 (PATENT)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Patrick M. Hughes

Application No.: 10/597,804 Confirmation No.: 6541

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For: Methods and Compositions for the Intravenous

Administration of Compounds Related to Proton

**Pump Inhibitors** 

Examiner: G. Polansky

## **REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to and including October 2, 2009, to respond to the Office Action mailed April 2, 2009.

This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with the continuation application being filed concurrently herewith.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 07-1700 in the amount of \$555.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3). The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 07-1700, under Order No. ALV-003.

Dated: October 2, 2009 Respectfully submitted,

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